

A PSALM of Thanksgiving, to be Sung by the Children of Christ's-Hospital, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in Easter-week, (according to ancient custom) for their Founders and Benefactors. 1686.

Monday.

VERSE I. A 3 Voc. Canto Primus & Bassus.

5. April. 1686.

CHRIST, rising from the Grave, hath crown'd this season of the Year: when cloath'd with Flow'rs the fertile Ground in Beauty doth appear.
Dead Winter's past, in ev'-ry thing a Re-sur-re-ction's shewn: and pi-ty 'tis all else should spring, but our dead Hearts a-lone.
Youth is a sprouting season too, the Spring of all our days: let's then put forth our strength, to shew our great Creator's praise.
CHORUS.
Christ, our great Head, is from the Dead now ri-sen to a Throne: from his great Name, our Hos-tis Fame is to its Greatness grown.

This Chorus is to be Sung by all the Children, and repeated after every Verse.

Tuesday.

VERSE II.
While Belial's Sons God's Holy Name with Oaths and Curves rend, That Names due Honour to proclaim, our Songs shall still ascend. But let Men know, that all their praise to Heav'n can nothing add; Chorus. Christ, our, &c.

God's Happiness they do not raise, while they themselves make glad. When from best Hearts those perfumes rise, may this our boatings choak, 'Tis God finds all the Gums and Spice, and Men find but the smoak.

Chorus. Christ, our, &c.

Wednesday.

VERSE V.
OUR King, who wears Three glorious Crowns, means some of us should Tho'f lines of Heav'n, which do the bounds of his great Empire shew: Ne'er may his Line on Earth decay, while Sun and Moon endure, But us from Foreign Foes alway, and from our selves secure! That while Tempestuous Stormes do all the World abroad annoy, Our Island, City, Hospital, may Halcyon Days enjoy! Chorus. Christ, our, &c.

VERSE VI.
(sing, And may all Parts where Christians dwell, thus Christ's great triumphs All Hail! Of Heaven, of Earth, of Hell, Thou Universal King! His Triumphs o're the Grave, declare our Bodies Conqu'ring it; And Souls though dead in sins they were, thence life and conquest get. Then may we too with Christ arise, and seek the things above, And raise our Hearts beyond the Skies, unto the God of Love! Chorus. Christ, our, &c.

A true REPORT of the great number of poor Children, and other poor People, Maintained in the several HOSPITALS, under the pious Care of the LORD MAYOR, Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of LONDON, the Year last past.

Christ's-Hospital. Children put forth Apprentices, and discharged out of Christ's Hospital, the year last past 87, Ten whereof being instructed in the MATHEMATICKS and NAVIGATION, were placed forth Apprentices to Commanders of Ships out of the Mathematical-School, Founded by the late King's Majesty, of Blest Memory. Children buried the year last past 13. Children now remaining under the Care and Charge of the said Hospital, which are kept in the House, and at Nurse elsewhere, 677 and 188 newly admitted, amounting in all to 785

Received this last year into the Hospital of Bridewell, Vagrants and other indigent and miserable People, many whereof had both cloathing and such other relief as their necessities required, being in great distress, and sent by Passe into their native Countries.

Maintained in the said Hospital, and brought up in divers Arts and Trades, at the only Charge of the said Hospital, Apprentices, notwithstanding it pleased God, the Hospital, and all the Houses within the Precinct thereof, (which was the greater part of its Revenue) were wholly consumed by the late dreadful Fire; besides the great losf sustained in the remains of its Revenue by two terrible Fires, the one in June 1673, and the other in November, 1682, which happened in Wapping.

954 Bridewell Hospital.

The Hospital of Bethlem is of great necessity for the keeping and curing of Distracted Persons, whose misery of all others is the more deplorable, because they do not apprehend the same, it disabling the Mind as well as the Body.

Brought into the same Hospital the last year distracted Men and Women, 67 Cured of their Lunacy, and discharged thence the said year.

Distracted Persons buried the last year.

Now remaining there under Cure, and provided for with Physick, 2 Dyer, and other Relief, at the Charge of the said Hospital.

The Charge whereof is great, and the Revenue of the said Hospital so small, as not to amount to one half part of the yearly Expences thereof; And the Building of the Old Hospital of Bethlem, being Ruinous, and not spacious to receive and contain the great number of Distracted Persons; for the admission of whom, daily applications are made to the Governors thereof.

Upon a Christian and Charitable Consideration of the Premises, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of this City of London, did late grant sufficient ground to erect a more commodious House for the keeping and Curing the said Lunatics, and Distracted Persons: In the Building and Finishing whereof, the Governors of the said Hospital, have laid out and disbursed above Seventeen Thousand Pounds, whereby not only the whole Stock of the said Hospital is Expended, but the Governors thereof have been necessitated to take several great Sums of Money for the Finishing the same, for which they pay interest. And therefore the said Hospital is a very fit object of all good mens Charity, to do a God that enable them, towards the relief of the said poor Lunatics, and payment of their Debts; There having been, and daily are, by the Bleffing of God, and the Charge of the said Hospital, and the care of those that are intrusted therewith, divers reduced to their former Senes.

S. Bartho-lomen's-Hospital. Here have been cured in the Hospital of St. Bartholomew the year last past, of Wounded, Sick, and Maimed Soldiery and Seamen, and other diseased Persons, from several parts of the Dominions of the King's Most Excellent Majesty, and from Foreign Parts; many of which have been Relieved with Monies, and other Necesaries at their departure, though (as it hath pleased God) the greatest part of the Revenues of the said Hospital was consumed by the late dreadful Fire.

Buried this year after much Charge on them.

Persons remaining under Cure in the said Hospital.

Buried this year after much Charge on them.

THere have been cured in the Hospital of St. Thomas the year last past, of Wounded, Sick, and Maimed Soldiery and Seamen, and other diseased Persons, from several parts of the Dominions of the King's Most Excellent Majesty, and from Foreign Parts; many of which have been Relieved with Monies, and other Necesaries at their departure, though (as it hath pleased God) the greatest part of the Revenues of the said Hospital was consumed by the late dreadful Fire which happened in September, 1666, in May, 1676, and in June, 1681.

Buried this year after much Charge in the time of their Sicknes.

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Remaining under Cure at the Charge of the said Hospital.

Buried this year after much Charge on them.

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Pray remem- ber the Poor,